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For: **METHOD TO PRODUCE STRESS-FREE OPTICAL WAVEGUIDES TO REDUCE STRESS-INDUCED BIREFRINGENCE  
IN PLANAR LIGHTWAVE CIRCUIT (PLC) DEVICES**

Enclosed are:

6 sheets of drawing(s) - formal.  
 An assignment of the invention to **Headway Technologies, Inc.**  
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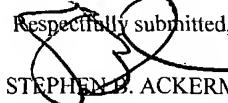
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